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### Six New Wells, Perhaps More

BRITISH PETROLEUMS ANNOUNCES ITS PROGRAM FOR THE COMING SEASON.

MANY MILES OF GAS PIPE LINES ARE TO BE LAID  
\$120,000 IS VOTED FOR DEVELOPMENT

The following report appeared in Monday's Edmonton Journal, we understand several other companies will be ready to announce their program within the next few weeks.)

Next spring a program of development will start in the Wainwright, Alta., oil fields involving expenditure of several hundred thousand dollars and which will include the drilling of at least six new wells by British Petroleum, Limited, the laying of many miles of pipe line, according to plans developed at a meeting of the company officials in Vancouver.

This program became known when Newton W. Emmens, general superintendent for British Petroleum, and John O. Williams, Calgary geologist, representing the Western Consolidated Oils Company of Edmonton and two holding companies, concluded a conference here Saturday.

#### Blanket the Field.

British Petroleum, Western Consolidated Oils, the Wainwright Oil Development Company, Baxter Lake Oil Company and The Crown Oil company, with interlocking interests practically blanket the township in which oil was struck by British Petroleum last fall and sold a large amount of acreage north, east and south of the well in the adjoining townships. They will co-operate to exploit their ground it was learned Saturday.

Mr. Emmens made it clear that with the exception of an 80 acre tract about 1 3-4 miles southeast of No. 2 B. P. well, which was leased to Western Consolidated Oils, no acreage was in the hands of other companies for drilling purposes, despite the fact that several companies had represented their holdings as identical with that of certain tracts of B. P. acreage.

"Two heavy duty rotary rigs will be put in the field by British Petroleum to work 24 hours a day continuously until December 1st, or possibly through next winter," stated Mr. Emmens.

"Arrangements will be made immediately for oil tankage for No. 2 well, the first installation being two 1,000 barrel tanks. Oil pipe lines will be laid to the C. N. R., at a point near Wainwright.

#### Six New Wells

"We are purchasing sufficient casing for six new wells and tubing for the six wells and for No. 2 well. About 30,000 feet of two and four inch gas lines will be laid.

"The company has made an appropriation of about \$120,000 for this field for actual operations in the coming season and places the minimum number of wells at six. We shall try to make it eight or more."

J. O. Williams states that Western Consolidated Oils has contracted with a drilling company for one well in the field on leased ground and intends drilling two or three other wells with its own crews.

It is reported that the Imperial Oil Limited, will drill farther east this season in the vicinity of Baxter Lake, although the company has not indicated what its drilling program will be.

Mr. Emmens left Saturday for a tour through southern United States oil fields in his company's interests. He will first visit Edmonton proceeding to Tulsa, Oklahoma City, Burkburnett, Breckenridge, Los Angeles and San Francisco.

### ALBERTA WILL FIGHT FOR ITS BLUE SKY LAW

The blue sky law in Alberta may be referred to the privy council in a joint appeal with Saskatchewan, according to Attorney-General Brownlee, who says that the two provinces will work together in an effort to uphold the validity of their sales of shares act. By a decision of the supreme court of Canada in December, the Saskatchewan act was declared ultra vires, insofar as it purports to regulate the sale of shares of companies holding dominion charters, and the ruling will have substantially the same effect of nullifying the Alberta law.

What the two provinces are now proposing, with Manitoba also joining in, is to ask the dominion government to pass supplementary legislation so that the sale of shares acts shall be declared valid within provincial bounds. Failing this, appeal will be necessary to the privy council. Mr. Brownlee is of the opinion that the dominion parliament will be willing to concede the point.

The effect of the court decision is

that the provincial government, working in Alberta through the public utilities board, will no longer have any control over companies seeking to sell stock if they are incorporated under federal charters. It is natural to suppose, in that case, that there will be more dominion companies, with the result that it will be that much harder to protect the public interests.

Mr. Brownlee points out that the Alberta law has worked most beneficially and successfully, and the public utilities board has proved its value many times over in the way of safeguarding the public against wild-cat stock-selling companies, numbers of which have been refused the right to sell shares in this province. Last year the Alberta law was adopted, in large measure, by Ontario, and now all the provinces except Quebec, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island have blue sky legislation and will thus be affected by the recent decision. There may be a joint petition for dominion legislation overcoming the difficulty. Journal.

## How Men and Municipalities are Made Rich by the Magic of Oil

How an oil discovery turns worthless land into a priceless possession and how poor people are made into millionaires by the magic of oil in the southland is told by The Oil & Gas Journal of Tulsa, national authority on oil, in an article by Dan. F. Dugan.

While Alberta farmers as a rule do not own the oil under their land many of them have taken the opportunity of securing a government lease and are in as good a position to receive a handsome royalty as the farmers in Texas. While Alberta may not have the spectacular booms such as have marked the southern oil fields, the opening of the newly proven Irma-Wainwright field is certain to develop similar conditions in this province.

The article tells about the growth of Corsicana after the discovery of the Powell field. It relates:

The discovery well was drilled on a 10-acre tract out of a 50-acre lease and on an offset lease adjoining the farm of Green Springfield, a negro. The oil shot over the derrick and sprinkled the negro farmer's house. The holdings of the discovery company were taken over by the Humphrey's Oil Co., offsets were started and intensive drilling activity followed, and up to the present time nearly 600 deep wells have been drilled on a "shoe string" formation over 8 miles in length.

Following the drilling of the discovery well and during the past 10 months the town of Corsicana has grown from a population of 15,000 to 25,000. Bank deposits have increased more than double, and at the present time are over \$10,000,000. New buildings and municipal improvements this year have cost \$2,000,000.

#### Farmers Made Rich

Navarro County land owners and farmers whose farms lay along the Powell's golden land are the largest depositors in Corsicana banks. The addition \$5,000,000 in deposits in the local banks is in a large measure credited to these fortunate royalty owners.

Green Springfield, owner of 410 acres of land lying along the Chambers Creek bottoms, was the first landowner to make a clean up in leases and royalties. All of this land was leased up during the Mexia boom with the exception of a 5-acre block near his house. This he immediately leased, the consideration being a new automobile. The discovery well was drilled on this sub-division. The boom was on and the negro's fortune was made. Royalties on the 410 acres, added to the revenue cleaned up from the sale of leases netted the colored farmer with less than a month an immense fortune. Practically all of his royalty he sold, and at fabulous prices. Locations close to the big well brought as high as \$10,000 an acre.

#### Thrifty Negro Cleaned Up Fortune

Green Springfield, the discovery fee owner, was born in Alabama 68 years ago. He came to Corsicana at the age of 12, his parents accompanying a wealthy family here when the first trains were running into the town. At 21 years of age Springfield became a farm hand, noted for his thrift. With him fighting the battles of a monotonous farm life has been his faithful wife, Harriett. Eight children have been born to them. Five of them are grown and married. He first bought a tract of land of 100 acres where his home stood for a number of years. The land cost \$10 an acre, and his house consisted of a living room and kitchen. An addition was built to the original structure, and the Springfields pursued their daily life on the farm. Springfield was a successful farmer, and he kept his place well stocked. As the children married off he built small tenant houses on parts of the 410 acres for them and looked after their welfare in getting started in life.

Oil operations disturbed the even tenor of their way. The house was leased out and Green and Harriett sought more peaceful realms in a tenant house on the farm. He recently constructed a new seven-room house in East Corsicana, but still looks after his agricultural interests. It is too early to quit yet," he declares as he discusses plans for the coming year's crops. Springfield is prominent in the work of his church, and serves as chairman of the financial committee, and in all the activities of the church he attends. His two youngest children are away at school and the farm is looked after from his home in town.

#### Judge McKie a Big Winner

M. J. McKie, Corsicana lawyer, one of the earliest settlers in this part of Texas, perhaps has realized more out of royalties in oil than any other individual owning land in the pool.

It was on one of Judge McKie's farms that the Hugh Development Co. drilled the well that really made the Powell Field, after salt water conditions had nearly condemned the territory between the Hughes and the discovery well. The Hughes Development Co. completed its test in the latter part of May and it started at about 8,000 barrels a day. This was the famous "fire well" where 14 men lost their lives last June when gas from the well caught fire by friction.

McKie owned in fee 1,400 acres of land, all of it in

line of production. More than sixty producing wells have been completed on one McKie tract alone. W. J. McKie first came to Corsicana as attorney for the Cotton Belt Railroad in the early eighties. His lands were acquired through purchases from time to time at an average price of \$10 an acre. The Humphrey's Oil Co. has over fifty wells on a 320 acre lease McKie lease, the Hughes Development Co., 12 on another smaller property and Humble, Texas, Roxena and Gulf Companies each have several producers on McKie lands. Right after the recent war, due to the slump in price of agricultural products and cattle, Judge McKie was considered land poor. It was a hard proposition to pay taxes on the property. Sale of lands was slow. A long, hard pull had been made by the aged attorney before the golden oil pool was discovered. His royalty, none of it being sold before production was found, has netted him several millions.

#### Davis Took a Chance

L. T. Davis, on whose lands some of the biggest wells in the field were brought in, is also among the royalty kings. A tract of 73 acres, the land too poor to even grow peas, has had a total of sixteen wells, none of which made less than 10,000 barrels initial production and several of which made close to 20,000 barrels. Davis sold none of his royalty.

"I have owned that land for a number of years, and if there is oil underneath it I will get my full eighth, and if not I will be none the worse off than I have been since owning it," was Davis's reasoning. Fabulous prices were offered him as the pay trend swept in his direction, but as the Humble Oil & Refining Co. leased the farm and began drilling. Davis still held to his eighth. All offers made him by royalty dealers to sell it were rejected. Already 1,000,000 bbls. of oil have been run from the sixteen wells and they are still producing.

Davis was for years a tenant farmer, a small town butcher and chili restaurant keeper, a grocery clerk, and at the time of the first well being drilled on his property conducted a small butcher shop and dealt in chili. He is now considering the establishment of a wholesale chili canning plant to be located in Corsicana. He had ceased to run the farm himself several years before oil was discovered, having found it too slow a business.

S. D. Ramsey, another farmer and now a royalty owner amassed a fortune when about 30 flowing wells were drilled on his lands. He took up residence in Corsicana, overseeing his farming interest and conducting a small mercantile business.

Tank farms in which the production has been stored include about 8,000,000 bbls. storage capacity. Most of this is owned by the Humble Pipe Line Co., which company has produced about one-third of the entire output of oil. A total of forty 80,000 bbl. and twenty-eight 55,000-bbl. steel tanks have been completed on the Humble Oil and Refining Co's tank farms. The Gulf Pipe Line Company has a tank farm of twelve 55s, and the Buttram-Tidal seven 55s, the Hughes, Humphreys, Prairie, Sinclair and McMan Oil & Gas companies have a dozen each of 55s and a number of 80s.

Storage in the local fields and at Mexia, where large quantities of the Powell Pool oil have been run amount to about 26,000,000 bbls. Rail shipments amount to around 300 tank cars a day.

The oil field towns of Tuckertown, Whitten and Navarro with several thousand population have sprung up like mushrooms. Engineering work in the various parts of the field represent an expenditure of about \$1,000,000.

The county tax assessors' rolls show an increase in taxable values from \$28,000,000 in 1922 to \$53,000,000 in 1923.

### Will Cancel Oil Leases

### U. S. Senate Endorses Action

Washington, Jan. 31.—The Walsh resolution directing the president to proceed with suits to annul the Doherty and Sinclair oil leases, was adopted today by the senate.

Increasing pressure was brought by the Democrats in the senate today to force immediate resignation of Secretary of the Navy Denby. Renewal of the bitter debate that has extended over two days came immediately after the senate reconvened.

Senator Trammell, Florida, Democrat, introduced an amendment to the Walsh resolution expressing the sense of congress that the president should attempt of congress to assume the demand Denby's resignation. Thistles of the executive.



# RED ROSE TEA "is good tea"

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Canada In 1924

What is the year 1924 going to mean to Canada?

The answer is: Just exactly what the people of Canada determine it shall mean.

If the Canadian people are fairly well satisfied with present conditions, with the degree of recorded progress from year to year since the war, with the existing rate of taxation, and the prevailing state of affairs in the social, political and business world, then things will continue much as they are and 1924 will be very largely a repetition of 1923.

But if Canadians are not satisfied, and are prepared to lay aside petty prejudices and discard sectional issues in favor of a broad patriotism and sound national policies and untiringly devote their energies to a forward All-Canadian movement, then 1924 will mean much more for this Dominion than any previous year in its history.

Canada's progress during this new year will be dependent, however, on the extent to which Canadians will discard their East and West spectacles and view their country, its problems and needs through Dominion-wide glasses. Because nature has divided Canada at the Great Lakes into two great divisions is no reason why such division should be carried into our political, commercial, fiscal—in a word, into our whole economic and national life.

Canada's slow progress during recent years is the result of the blunder made in regarding the Dominion not as one province, but as two distinct groups whose interests are not, and can never be, common interests. We have even gone so far as to regard them as antagonistic and opposing interests, with the inevitable outcome that instead of pulling together, East and West have been striving against each other, and surely, albeit slowly, pulling apart.

Progress under such conditions is impossible.

The interests of Canada East and West are not distinct and separate, but mutual. One is complementary to the other. Either without the other would be crippled and all future growth and progress retarded. If further growth in population, production and wealth in the West ceased, what would be the effect on the industrial life of the East? The question supplies its own answer.

Does any sane person believe that the Eastern manufacturer would be satisfied to consider that he had attained the maximum of business in the West? Not for a moment. But unless 1924 brings about a marked improvement in Western conditions, the Eastern manufacturer is not going to become the increased business he desires; in fact, he can make up his mind that he will get less business.

It is high time the East realized the situation, and gave not only serious thought but sympathetic and active co-operation towards solving Western problems. We call them Western problems, but they are essentially Eastern problems as well, because they are national problems, and upon their early solution depends not only the growth and prosperity of the West, but of all Canada. The Dominion can only prosper as the West prospers and is developed.

The financial and manufacturing East needs the producing and consuming agricultural West, and the agricultural West requires the financial and manufacturing East. Our national railways require the development and prosperity of both, and only through the prosperity of the national railways can rate reductions be brought about which will benefit all.

Unquestionably there are policies that can be carried into immediate effect that will prove of enormous assistance to the West without doing an iota of harm to the East—in fact, the advantages accruing to the West will redound to the benefit of the East. The East must come to a complete realization of this fact, study the West, and instead of blocking or delaying these policies, enthusiastically support and encourage their adoption.

On the other hand, the West must become more self-reliant. Western people must learn that they themselves can, and must, work together towards the solution of many of their problems. The people of the West have been regarded as self-reliant, energetic and as capable of whole-hearted co-operation. But the fact cannot be disguised that in these latter years Westerners have been too much inclined to lean on others, especially governments and legislation, for the solving of many of their problems, which, however, can best be solved, through their own efforts, and as far as permanency is concerned, can be solved in no other way.

Co-operation, not necessarily politically, but in an economic way by the people of the East in handling their own problems, and co-operation between East and West in dealing with national problems offers the safe, sane and sure method of advancing Canada far along the path of development and prosperity during 1924. That co-operation can, however, only be made effective through mutual understanding, the abandonment of old-time prejudices, suspicions and all sectional jealousies. These must be replaced by a true patriotism and a real national spirit and aspiration which thinks and acts, not for the East alone nor for the West alone, but for Canada.

## Twins For Alberta Crops

Approximately 265,000 miles of binder twine, sufficient to stretch around the world nearly nineteen times if it was all tied into one string, were required to bind Alberta's 1923 bumper crop. Alberta's farmers used 35,000,000 pounds of binder twine last year, more than for several years.

In the case of human beings, the distinction between sheep and goats is not very sharp. When a man finds that he is the goat, he usually looks sheepish. As the saying is: "As the sheep bleats, so the goat bleats."

About all you can say for a fine vocabulary is that it makes your friends blind occasionally as you talk.

Alfred Davis has been living 15 years with a broken neck. Yet he is one of the most cheerful patients of the Portsmouth (England) Infirmary even though he is forced to spend his days in a wheel-chair. He received the injury in a fall from a scaffold.

Sufans and priests of Turkey once considered smoking tobacco so serious a crime that in many cases torture and death was the punishment meted out to those indulging in it.

The Modern Way Miss Primrose—What are you doing these days, Colonel? Colonel Crab—"I'm busy working my son's way through college."

Good Reason For Dieting Sister's Sultana—How is it, Johnnie, that you have such a dislike to me? I have never done anything to deserve it. Johnnie—Yes, you have. When you come to see our Kate she puts the clock back, and it makes me late for school, and I get thrashed.

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## The Coldest Place

It is Certainly Not At The North Pole According to Evidence Many think the north pole is the coldest place in the northern hemisphere. It is far north, but it is not high above the sea level, because it lies in the ocean. Having only one of the three factors that make a place extremely cold, it can never be extremely cold. It isn't. It is probably never colder than 69 degrees below zero, Fahrenheit.

We do not know for certain whether the north pole is ever 60 degrees below zero. What we do know is that, off and on for the last 40 years, the American Government has had a weather bureau station at Point Barrow, 300 miles north of the Arctic Circle without ever recording a temperature lower than 54 degrees below zero, exactly the same as the lowest government record for Herschel Island on the north coast of Canada. We believe that any reports by travelers of weather colder than that are due to instrumental faults or to the inaccuracy of observers.

There are no great cities in North America that have temperatures as low as the theoretical figure for the North Pole, but there are some which drop as low as any records for the Arctic coast of North America. Winnipeg, with 300,000 inhabitants, is one of them.

Nome, Alaska, is just south of the Arctic Circle, and they seldom have 45 degrees below zero.—Vilhjalmur Stefansson in Collier's.

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## A Regular Fellow

Humble Origins Often a Step Towards Higher Things Movie audiences are not infallible barometers. But the New York Independent observes that whereas Mr. Harding got scant applause at motion picture theatres, at least until his last western journey, President Coolidge is already most popular. The Independent finds this hard to explain, but says a chance remark overheard may offer a clue: "He's a regular guy; why he was paying only \$25.00 rent for his house." The fact that Harding had been a farmer boy, a compositor in a newspaper office, and a self-made man was usually lost sight of, perhaps because he carried himself like an aristocrat of long standing. But if Mr. Coolidge's "typical" American origin is causing the masses to rejoice, we can rejoice with them. It is one of the glories of our democracy that humble origins have repeatedly proved to be a step rather than a hindrance to high position.

## GUARD THE BABY AGAINST COLDS

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## Manitoba Good Roads

Brandon District Taking a Leading Part in Construction and Maintenance That the development of good roads in Manitoba, and particularly in the Brandon district, has made rapid strides within the past three years, was emphasized when over one hundred good road boosters gathered at Brandon for the District Association's meeting recently. Each year finds Manitoba in greater favor with the travelling public and in this respect the district surrounding Brandon is taking a leading part in the construction and maintenance of good highways.

There is no satisfactory reason for believing that a woman who is always "harping" will make a good angel.

## COULDN'T SLEEP HEART WAS BAD NERVES A WRECK

Mr. H. A. Reid, Upper Musquodoboit, N.S., writes:—"I am very thankful for the benefit I have received by using Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills. When I came home from overseas, in 1920, my heart was very badly affected by concussion, and my nerves were a dreadful wreck. I was very short winded, and could not possibly sleep at night. In fact, I was in such a condition I felt as if I did not wish anyone to speak to me. I thought I would try Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills, and before I had taken two boxes I could enjoy a good night's rest as well as anyone."

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## Looking Forward

It was in the year 1925. A New York matron, coming down to breakfast, met her only son ascending the stairs. He was headed for the roof, where his fast airplane awaited him. "Where to, Tommy?" asked the matron.

"Denver for lunch, mother."

"Well, you have a perfect day for flying."

"That is what I thought. So from Denver I may hop off to San Francisco for a little go."

"Very well, my son. But be home early for dinner."

Many mothers have reason to bless Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator, because it has relieved the little ones of suffering and made them healthy.

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## FROST BITES

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## MINARD'S "KING OF PAIN" LINIMENT

Report of the British Columbia Industrial Commission. Department shows loans to industries amounting to \$1,176,694 embracing 60 plants. Repayments have been made on principal by 55 industries. Total repayments amount to \$131,428, of which \$71,245 was interest.

Keep Minard's Liniment in the house

## What the Livestock Market Suggests

Poor Quality and Unfinished Cattle a Drag on the Market A recent Dominion Market Intelligence report issued from Ottawa contains some suggestive information as to conditions at the leading livestock marketing centres, from which the following are quotations:

Toronto.—Trading on the cattle market was dull. There was excessive supply of thin unfinished cattle and buyers showed marked dislike for it. Docked and castrated lambs invariably topped the market.

Montreal.—Packers, under the run of mostly inferior cattle, were not inclined to buy. Like beetles like; use quality pigs.

Winnipeg.—There was a fairly broad enquiry for good feeding steers, inferior kinds were dull and weak. Common hopped, off-color stockers and feeders were a drag on the market. Percentage of select bacon hogs very small. A heavy run of unfinished hogs were mostly returned to the country for feeding purposes.

Edmonton.—All good cattle, specially good feeders and good butcher steers, sold readily at fair prices. From Markets Intelligence Office.—Dehorn your cattle. Livestock buyers are money losers.

The market was short on good quality steers. Winter feed for stinging markets. The winter feeding of lambs is profitable. Docked and castrated lambs top the market. Winter feeding is the strength of the livestock industry. Spring markets are generally bullish. Finish is an essential to profitable sale.

Miller's Worm Powders will drive worms from the system without injury to the child. The powders are so easy to take that the most delicate stomach can assimilate them and welcome them as speedy easers of pain, because they promptly remove the worms that cause the pain, and thus the suffering of the child is relieved. With so sterling a remedy at hand no child should suffer an hour from worms.

## Newsprint Exports

Expect that Canada Will Soon be Ahead of U.S. in Production

Newsprint production in Canada amounted to 913,230 tons in the nine months ended October 31, according to a report issued by the Government Bureau of Statistics. This was an increase of 145,447 tons or 18 per cent, compared with the same period last year.

The Dominion, the report points out, is rapidly reducing the lead of the United States in newsprint production. The output of the United States was only 184,397 tons more than Canada in the first nine months of 1923, as against 270,216 tons greater output for the same period of 1922. In September, Canada produced 102,488 tons while the United States mills produced 110,209 tons.

At the present rate of increase in another year, it is believed, Canada will be ahead of the United States in newsprint output. The supply of pulpwood is diminishing in the eastern states, while Canada possesses almost unlimited resources of pulpwood and waterpower to exploit it.

Insulin, recently discovered remedy for diabetes, may render to humanity a vastly greater service and possibly will lead to startling revelations in the field of medicine. Dr. J. J. H. Leod of the University of Toronto, one of the discoverers of insulin, predicted before the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

The time that you save, like the money that you save, is useful only if you know how to spend it.

For Rheumatic Pains.—The pains and aches of Sciatica and Rheumatism should be treated with Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. The soothing and healing properties of this famous remedy have been demonstrated for fifty years. Use it also for inflammatory pains, cuts, scratches, bruises and sprains, either in human beings or the lower animals.

Grand Champion Prize The grand champion bull prize of the Aberdeen-Angus class at the Chicago International Livestock show went to James D. MacGregor, of Brandon, on Black Cap Revolution. Mr. MacGregor has been one of the most prominent livestock exhibitors at the Chicago show and just before the war won the Grand Championship for the best steer at the International Exposition with Glenacree Victor. This year's prize animal was sold to a Californian for \$15,000.

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## Earth-to-Planet Rocket

German Engineer Has Plan for a Rocket Which He Claims Can Reach the Planets

A German engineer, Herr Oberth, is discussing with technicians actual plans for rockets capable of reaching the planets. As motive power Herr Oberth would use either alcohol or hydrogen in a fluid state, to be burned with oxygen. A rocket capable of ascending to the border of the terrestrial field of gravity can be constructed for \$5,000, in the opinion of Herr Oberth. He estimates that such a rocket, but capable of carrying two observers, would cost \$25,000.

## Mother! Give Sick Child "California Fig Syrup"

Harmless Laxative for a Bilious, Constipated Baby or Child

Constipated, bilious, feverish, or sick, colic babies and children love to take genuine "California Fig Syrup." No other laxative regulates the bowels so nicely. The tender little stomach and bowels act without griping. Contains no narcotics or soothing drugs. Say "California" to your druggist and avoid counterfeits! Insist upon genuine "California Fig Syrup" which contains directions.

Switzerland has recently passed a law by which no automobile can be permitted to operate in the country or its Alps unless it is equipped with four-wheel brakes.

Hypocrisy often parades in the uniform of humility.

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**"My Heart Would Palpitate, I Had Weak Spells"**  
Mrs. L. Whiting, 202 King St. West, Brockville, Ont., writes:—"I took very sick with my nerves and stomach, and seemed to be all run down. At times my heart would flutter and palpitate so and I would take such weak spells in the pit of my stomach that I sometimes thought I would never get better. I had almost given up hope when a friend advised the use of Dr. Chase's Nerve Food. I did not stop until I had taken twenty-five boxes. It has done wonders for me and I want to recommend it to everyone."

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## Fur Bearing Animals Must Be Protected To Prevent Their Extinction On This Continent

A recent American visitor to Eastern Canada, speaking of the prodigious waste of natural resources which had occurred in his own country, cited Canada as a land of opportunity in still having these vast storehouses. But Canadians can take no credit for this unless warning is taken from United States' experience and development is not allowed to degenerate into exploitation.

A case in point is the fur trade. J. H. E. Anthony, curator of mammals in the American Museum of Natural History, in a bulletin recently issued, declares that there is danger of extermination of mammals with particular reference to slaughter for furs. In the course of his statement, he says:

"The greatest destruction has come only in recent years. For instance, to cite the demands of the fur trade and to give you at the outset one of the best indices as to the rate of destruction, I might mention some figures gleaned from the records of 1919, 1920 and 1921 of skins sold at the world centres where furs were marketed. Discounting the time to allow for repetition, such as might occur if skins were taken from one market to another or held in cold storage awaiting a more favorable opportunity for sale, I found that a total of about 100,000,000 mammals had been marketed in these three odd years, representing about thirty odd mammal types."

"When all these types have been killed off, owing to the greed of the appetites of man, they can never be replaced—President Osborne (of the museum) says that fifty years hence will see the close of the age of mammals, and I have heard numerous others substantiate that assertion. Surely it is no exaggeration to say one hundred years."

Mr. Anthony names as two measures against this, game refuges which are carefully protected, and education of people. He continues:

"There is also the question of moderation in the use of mammal products. Elephants have been wiped out in Africa largely because of the demand for ivory. The unlimited use of mammal products has often been the cause of the extinction of different species. It was the hide hunter who swept the buffalo from our plains, and it was the demand for oil that reduced the numbers of our seals."

Mr. Anthony's strictures apply to Canada, as witness the paragraph in the Canada Year Book referring to our fur trade:

"Improved methods of capture, together with the advance of settlement, have driven fur-bearing animals farther afield and given them less chance to escape."

"Close seasons have been declared for Russian sable, Bolivian chinchilla and Canadian beaver; but even this has been insufficient, as is shown by a continued decrease in the numbers of the animals."

Canadians may reflect with gratitude that the federal government has from time to time set aside national parks which are also game refuges, notably at Banff and Jasper. There also are the Buffalo Park at Wainwright, and the refuge recently declared at Fort Smith, where the herd of wood buffalo were discovered. Ontario has also set aside large areas as public parks and game reserves. Free Press.

### Alberta Homesteads

Land Being Taken Up By Native-Born Sons

According to statistics compiled by the Edmonton Dominion Land Office it is interesting to note that homesteads are now being taken up by a number of men born in Alberta. These, in the main, are the sons of Galician immigrants, who apparently aim to follow in the successful footsteps of their parents from the old lands. In November homesteads were filed on by the following nationalities: Canadian, New Zealanders, American, English, Swede, Pole, Galician, German and Russian.

### Deaths From Diabetes

Deaths from diabetes in the United States showed a considerable increase last year. It was shown by census bureau statistics. There were 17,152 deaths from diabetes in 1922, compared with 14,933 in 1921, and 14,062 in 1920. The death rate from the disease was 18.1 per 100,000 population last year, compared with 16.8 in 1921 and 16.1 in 1920.

What a monotonous old world this would be were it not for the delusions therein!

There are 200 in-laws in the FBI group.

W. N. U. 1508

### Attitude Of Rome

Vatican Keeps Outside of the Reunion Discussion

The London Daily News, speaking of Rome's attitude with regard to the conference on church reunion which were held at Malines and were initiated by Cardinal Mercier and some few Anglicans, as referred to by the Archbishop of Canterbury in his Christmas message from Lambeth Palace, says that a high profile of the Vatican is desired. "These discussions are quite unofficial, so far as the Vatican is concerned. The Vatican, while wishing well to such efforts, remains outside. The two points of view are very far apart. With such differences an agreement is difficult, and the Vatican itself prefers to keep out of any conversations aiming at reunion unless the Anglicans really want more than simple friendship between the churches and are willing to recognize the supreme religious authority of the Pope."

### Butter and Cheese Scoring Contests

Buttermakers in Canada Showing Improvement in Methods

In the Dominion educational butter scoring contest of 1922, conducted by the Dairy and Cold Storage Branch from May to October inclusive, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Ontario, Quebec and New Brunswick entered six samples, British Columbia and New Brunswick each five, and Alberta three. All the samples from Manitoba and Nova Scotia were special grade. The other special grade samples were five from Saskatchewan and Quebec, four from Alberta and Ontario, three from New Brunswick, two from British Columbia, and one from Prince Edward Island. All the other samples were first grade except one each from Quebec and Prince Edward Island, which were second. The special grades were 23.40 per cent. more than in 1922, showing, says the report that the creamery buttermakers in Canada are improving in their methods.

In the educational cheese scoring contest, Ontario contributed 22 samples of which four were special grade, 17 first grade and one second grade. Of 21 samples from Quebec nine were special grade, nine first grade and three second grade. Of four samples from Prince Edward Island one was first grade. Of six from New Brunswick four were first grade and two second, and of three from Alberta one was first grade and two second grade. Only the provinces named competed in cheese.

### The Farmer's Helpers

Research and Experimental Work Done by Agricultural Colleges

The convention of crop experts now being held at the Alberta University, affords the Edmonton Bulletin an opportunity to pay a timely tribute to the work of the scientist, who in late years has been turning his attention to the problem of producing more and better crops. The results he has already achieved must make his further effort along that line a matter of keen public interest. This especially in a new country, where climatic and other conditions differ markedly from those in the older portions of the continent. We are as yet only finding out what can be grown successfully in Alberta. And the wide range of soil quality, altitude and latitude produce problems without end as to methods of cultivation and crops particularly adapted to different districts. The farmers may look with strong confidence to the experts to help them in solving these questions and to suggest lines of production and methods of cultivation and crop management likely to bring profitable results. Research and experimental work done by agricultural colleges and government specialists has revolutionized agriculture in many sections of the continent during the last two decades. Equally energetic service is being rendered by the trained nurses in the employ of the several provinces as well as the Federal Government. Much has already been accomplished, but it is only an index of what will be achieved—Moose Jaw Times.

The French Government will begin the new year in what is regarded as a stronger position than a year ago. France, it is pointed out, has asserted by her acts her purpose to collect reparations from Germany, with the cooperation of the Allies, if possible, but alone if necessary.

### Of Course

Doctor (at a loss to diagnose the case)—Er—do you lead a "shut up" life?  
Patient—Yes, doctor—you see I'm a married man.—London Mail.

### Advance In Medical Science

New Blood Transfusion Method Is Termed a Success

A new method of blood transfusion for treating cases of septicemia is being successfully used at St. Mary's Hospital, London, says the London Daily Mail. It is the invention of the famous pathologist, Sir Almroth Wright. Dr. Wright found, during the war, that simple transfusion was useless in desperate cases of septicemia and adopted a plan of drawing the blood off a healthy person, inoculating it with vaccine to increase its power of killing microbes, and then injecting it into the patient. From this developed the improved method, namely, the inoculation of a healthy blood donor with vaccine and then when this person's blood has matured, a large quantity of microbe-killing substances, drawn from this stream for injection. The results so far obtained can only be regarded as a beginning, says the newspaper, but physicians are building much on the new method.

### Natural Resources Bulletin

Enormous Areas Depleted of Trees to Provide Pulpwood

The Natural Resources Intelligence Service of the Department of the Interior at Ottawa, says:

To provide the woodpulp that is being cut in Canada, and that figures so largely in our manufacture of pulp and paper and their export, it is necessary to cut over 6,000 acres of forests daily. The demand, also, is constantly increasing, as additional mills with their huge paper-making machines, are brought into operation. It is hard to picture in the mind the enormous areas that are being depleted of trees, to provide this pulpwood. The average farm in Eastern Canada contains 100 acres, and in the west 160 acres. To supply the daily cut of pulpwood in Canada an area equal to ten eastern farms or over six western farms is cut over. Anyone with these figures in mind can be trusted to be sufficiently interested in the forests to protect them from the dangers of fire.

### Phonetic Writing System

Natives of Baffin Land Have a Simple System That Serves the Purpose

Natives of Baffin Land until quite recently had no system of writing. But a Canadian missionary has at last invented for their benefit a system of phonetic writing. Each character represents a syllable, hence no spelling is required. This system has been quickly mastered by the Baffinlanders, who now freely write letters to their friends and hand them over for delivery to anyone taking a journey in the desired direction. The letters always reach their destination because the postman at his first sleeping place invariably reads them all through. In this way, if a letter happens to get lost the one for whom it is intended receives the message by word of mouth.

### Different

Guy—And she's going to marry that Count de Bunkum? Why, she's a girl who can read a man like a book; can't she see he's not the best?  
Girl—Probably this time she only cares about ready the title.

Hereditarily, as we understand it, is what makes a boy get all his bad qualities from the father's side of the house.—Rochester Times-Union.

It is a wise woman that will both take a compliment and forget it.

### The Master Trapper!



—Los Angeles Times

### WESTERN EDITORS



F. W. Galbraith, Editor of the Advocate, Red Deer, Alberta.

### Discuss Agricultural Subjects

Interesting Addresses at Conference Held in Edmonton

What proved to be the most animated discussion of the agronomists' conference at Edmonton followed George De Long's address upon rotation experiments at Lacombe. J. H. Ellis, of Manitoba, drew much fire upon himself by asserting that it was necessary to introduce soil improvement crops before educating farmers to rotation crops. Almost every one of the members assembled was drawn into the discussion before it ended. Corn production also proved the source for a great exchange of views when the matter was brought up by Prof. James Murray, speaking in place of Prof. C. McKee, of the University of Montana, who was absent. An address was given by S. Barnes, of Swift Current, Sask., upon soil moisture experiments as carried out at the experimental station at that point. George Deong told of difficulties found in seeding corn with peas, so experienced with peas and sunflowers, only to find that the peas were choked. James Murray said that the sowing of corn and peas was not a practice to be encouraged, while J. R. Fryer was of the opinion that it was more a matter of movement of all than necessity of heat for the curing of corn.

J. H. Ellis championed the cause and clover during the discussion which followed, and said that the three western produce provinces have the least acreage of these on cultivated lands. About 96 to 97 per cent of crops in the west were grain, he emphasized, and said it was almost impossible to put the idea of crop rotation properly forward. "We have got to introduce soil improvement crops before we can educate farmers to rotation crops," he declared. In Manitoba they are working to get an acre of grain and clover for seed purposes on every farm, 1,000 farms that had never grown grasses before were now growing these crops.

Rain falls more frequently between three o'clock and eight o'clock in the morning than at any other time during the day.

A good neighborhood is a place where people don't have much to worry about except the servant problem.

Compressed air shovels have been found great time savers in cramped places.

## Geological History Of The Great Lakes Revealed By Study Of Shore Lines

### Value Alberta Crops

An Average of 28 Bushels Per Acre For Entire Province

Final estimates for the year's yield in Alberta of wheat and other grains have just been compiled by the Provincial Department of Agriculture from shroter returns at hand and indicate an average wheat yield of 28 bushels per acre all over the province. The total acreage in the province this year is 5,973,752, which gave a total wheat yield of 167,265,981 bushels.

According to figures which have been compiled on a basis of present market prices, as set out in the table below, the crop value last year will be \$141,289,163. When field root crops and fodder crops are included this total will be over \$170,000,000, and when the final figures for dairy and poultry products, game, furs, wool, etc., are in, the total value of agricultural products should pass the \$225,000,000 mark.

The average yields for the various grains in the province are placed as follows: Wheat, 28 bushels; oats, 55 bushels; barley, 37 bushels; rye, 11 bushels; flax, 19 bushels.

Though the shroter returns compiled to date do not show these averages, they indicate that by the time all threshers have made their reports these averages will have been reached.

### An Out-of-Date Law

The Need is Show of Keeping Legislation Up-to-Date

A very curious instance of the need of keeping legislation up-to-date is seen in a recent case in Winnipeg, Man.

A man was convicted of taking one of his own cows from the pound, where it had been placed after it was found straying at large.

On looking up the law for punishing such a behavior, it was found that no penalty was provided in the statutes, so English Common Law was invoked. This offered two alternatives: Death, or cutting off both ears and deporting the criminal to the penal colony in Australia.

Of course, the law is a very old one. In fact, it was passed a hundred and fifty years ago.—The Municipal Review of Canada.

### Amazing Statement

How Birds Prove a Factor in Successful Farming

A well-known naturalist, we are told in the annual report of the Long Island Bird Club, estimates that in Nebraska 170 carloads of insects are consumed by the birds every 24 hours. The report also says that in New York State it is believed that the birds destroy more than 2,000,000 bushels of noxious insects each season. Exaggerated though these figures may be, yet wise is the farmer who, by providing them nesting places and by planting the trees and shrubbery about his farm whose fruits attracts the birds, wins them as his friends and helpers!—Our Dumb Animals.

### A Promising Sign

Tax Sales in Saskatchewan Show Heavy Production

A reduction of nearly twenty per cent. in the total taxes on lands advertised for sale in sixty-one rural municipalities, taken indiscriminately as representative of certain sections of Saskatchewan, is shown by statistics prepared by the Department of Municipal Affairs for Hon. C. M. Hamilton, minister of that department.

"The total taxes," states Mr. Hamilton, "on lands advertised for sale in the sixty-one rural municipalities in the year 1922 was \$1,175,232.02 and in 1921 \$948,451.52. This, it will be seen, is a reduction of 19.3 per cent."

### Exports of Gold

Exports from Canada of gold-bearing quartz, dust, nuggets and bullion totalled \$11,081,013 in the twelve months ending November 30. During the corresponding twelve months previous, such exports totalled only \$3,843,981. Exports of silver contained in ore, concentrates, etc., were \$3,669,333 in the twelve months ending in November, 1922, compared with \$3,945,323 in the twelve months ending November 30, 1921. During the twelve-month periods, exports of silver bullion were: 1922, \$7,897,927; 1921, \$7,152,512.

### French Scholarship

Robinson Morgan, a student of the Alberta University, has been named as first holder of a scholarship of 7,000 francs given by the French Government to the Provincial University for the encouragement of study in France.

### Chicago's fight for a drainage canal

and Canada's fight for maintenance of the present levels of the Great Lakes raise the interesting question of the history of the Great Lakes and the changes that have taken place under natural conditions during the past few thousand years, since the disappearance of the glaciers of the ice age, says a statement by the geological survey, department of mines, Ottawa. Studies of the raised or abandoned beaches which occur at many places around the margins of the Great Lakes and the old outlet channels connected with these beaches show that there have been many changes in the size of the lakes and that the principal outlet has been shifted from one place to another, though the main outlet of Erie and the upper lakes has remained at Niagara, throughout the greater part of the time (probably 20,000 to 30,000 years) since the disappearance of the ice sheets from the southern part of the Great Lakes region.

The ice sheet which once covered the whole of the Great Lakes region gradually melted back toward the north and for a time blocked the upper part of the St. Lawrence valley, thus ponding the waters in the Lake Ontario basin. The overflow, during this early stage of the Great Lakes—which, however, were much smaller than at present, because a large part of the basins were occupied by the ice sheet—was southward by way of the Hudson valley to the sea. The flow at Niagara during this stage is estimated to have been only 25 per cent. of the present. When the ice sheet melted back farther toward the north the Trent valley outlet was uncovered by the ice and as the land in this region was at still later stage nearly all the drainage of the upper Great Lakes was diverted down the Trent valley to the Ontario basin and thence to the sea. At a somewhat later stage a part of the drainage escaped by way of the Chicago outlet to the Mississippi valley and at a still later stage nearly all the drainage of the upper lakes went by way of North Bay and down the Ottawa valley to the Champlain Sea, which then occupied the lower parts of the Ottawa and St. Lawrence valleys. During this early stage of the Trent outlet and later the North Bay outlet, the flow at Niagara is estimated to have been only 15 per cent. of the present flow. The outflow at Chicago was probably very small. The shifting of the main outlet from one place to another was due partly to the uncovering of the melted back-outlet channels lower than the more southerly outlets and partly to uplift or tilting of the land, the amount of uplift being greater in the north than in the south. Uplift went on as the ice sheet gradually melted and is generally held to have been due to removal of the burden of the ice sheet from the land surface.

Some parts of the Niagara gorge are quite different in general character and size from other parts. The narrow parts are probably due to the small outflows during the times of diversion of the flow of the upper lake by way of the Trent and North Bay outlets. The upper great gorge, 2 1/2 miles long was forged during the time that the present flow has been maintained and since the diversion of the flow from the North Bay outlet back to the Port Huron outlet. Judging by the rate of recession of Niagara Falls since 1827 it has taken between 3,000 and 3,500 years to form the upper gorge.

### Alberta Crops

The value of all crops in Alberta, including root, vegetables, alfalfa and other fodder crops, is conservatively estimated at \$105,542,204. The value of dairy products is \$150,488,519; and livestock \$112,891,132. Taking the population of Alberta as 450,000, if the province's wealth were divided up equally, every man, woman and child in the province would receive approximately \$600.

### Regina Building Figures

The last year has shown an addition of 1,843 new residences in Regina. The valuation of these new homes is placed at approximately \$60,000, or about one-half of the year's entire building programme.

### A Good Housekeeper

"Does your wife know how to keep house?"  
"You bet! She prevented me from mortgaging ours to buy an automobile."—Buffalo Commercial.

### A Philosopher

"You don't seem to bother much about the future, Jones?"  
"No! that never worries me until it becomes the present."—Boston Transcript.

## SOME PROVISIONS OF NEW ALBERTA LIQUOR ACT

No tavern "signs".  
No canvassing for booze.  
No liquor advertising.  
No drinking in hotels except in "guest rooms."  
No guest room privileges unless a bona fide guest at the hotel with "luggage".  
No liquor on the hip or elsewhere unless the possessor is fortified with a government permit.  
No sales or deliveries of liquor over eight hours in twenty-four, nor after 5 P.M. on holidays or election days.  
No permits to be issued to persons under 21 years of age, or with less than one month's residence in the province, and all permits to expire on December 31st each year.  
No club licenses, except to clubs measuring up to requirements established by the proposed Alberta Liquor Control board and by statute.  
No bars or counters to be allowed in premises licensed to sell beer.  
No liquor to be sold to persons apparently under the influence of liquor, or to intoxicated persons.  
No distribution of beer by the brewers except to holders of permits and to clubs.

**Brownie Assents**  
Attorney-General J. E. Brownie gave assent Friday to a summary of the bill being published, the draft being sent to officials of the Moderation league and others for consideration, following its framing by H. H. Parke K. C., its scrutinizing by Hon. R. B. Bennett, and some final touches by the provincial cabinet.

The bill provides for a board of control of from one to three members, the chairman to give his entire time to the work, the duties to comprise determination of the areas within which vendors stores shall be established, the appointment of vendors, the purchasing of liquor supplies, the granting of licenses and permits, and the making of regulations, if necessary, under which the act may be administered. Persons must have permits for obtaining liquor, these to specify for what purpose liquor is to be used. The fees for individual permits will be \$2 for hard liquor and \$1 for beer. Special provisions are outlined for druggists, physicians and dentists.

**Local Option**  
Twenty-five per cent of the electors within a municipality may petition for a plebiscite as to whether or not a local option area shall be set up and, if the result is adverse to the sale of liquor in the municipality, no vendors stores will be established or beer licenses granted.  
The net profits from the operation of the new act are to be divided between the province and the municipalities, a reserve fund to be created to meet possible losses.

Hotels to get license for sale on premises, in room apart from hotel, subject to liquor commission control.  
No sale to be in the bill for the coming into effect of the new act, this to be done by proclamation of the government.

**OIL DRILL MOVED  
NEARER COALSPUR**  
Calgary, Alta., Jan. 28.—The Imperial Oil Co., which has had a derrick and drill operating for several years between Coalspur and Robb, are now moving the machinery three quarters of a mile nearer Coalspur. It is one of the largest steel derricks in Canada and the removal of it is under the supervision of R. W. McKintion, superintendent of transportation of the Calgary office of the company.

**REDUCED FARES**  
—For—  
**WINNIPEG  
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FEBRUARY 11-16, 1924  
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Good to return Feb. 18th, 1924  
**BIG WEEK OF SPORTS**  
Including  
35th ANNUAL BONSPIEL  
Full Particulars from Local Agent  
**Canadian Nat. Railways**

## WANT ADS.

**STRAYED**—to N. W. 23-45-9-w4th. One Red and White Cow, short horn, with horns, no brands visible. One Light Red Cow with horns, no brands visible.—Owner can have same by proving property.—J. R. Love, Irma.

**STRAYED**—On my place, one three year old Steer, red, branded MU on right hip—D. Elliott, Sec. 32-47-10, Kinsella P. O.

**FOR SALE**—Eight-inch Ontario Feed Chopper.—Apply H. W. Love, Irma.

**STRAYED**—from Section 1-45-9-w4 Two Red some White Steers, and One Yearling, branded L reverse R over bar on left hip, also waddle on left jaw.—Notify A. Long, Irma. 36-9-P.  
Cattle branded OL with half circle on right hip are property of J. R. Love, Irma. Kindly notify if strayed.

## EXPERIENCED DRILLERS LOOKING FOR WORK

The Times is in receipt of a letter from two experienced drillers looking for positions. For further information write The Times, Irma, Alberta.

**STRAYED**—from S.W. 10-45-8-w4. One Yearling Heifer, branded W on right hip, roan color with horns. If found kindly notify Chas. Wilberham, Irma. 39-41 P.

**FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE**—New York State Hay and Grain Farm, 105 acres, 10 room house, large basement barn, running water, 26 acres wood & timber, rest machine worked fields, 2 miles to stores, churches and high school, quarter mile to macadamized road. Lush fruit, \$4500 easy terms, or would exchange for grocery or general stores in Saskatchewan, or good farm land.

—Mrs. R. B. Caslick, Newfield, N. Y. 37-9-P.

## NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given under section 48 of The Domestic Animals Act (Municipalities) that One red and white heifer, no brand, was impounded in the pound kept by N. V. King, located on the S half 10-45-7-w4th, on the 3rd day of January, 1924, and that the said animal was sold on the 19th day of January, 1924, to Geo. W. Madder, of Fabian, Alberta, and that said animal may be redeemed by the owner or on his behalf within a period of thirty days from the publication of this notice in The Alberta Gazette, upon payment of all fees and costs due to the municipality and the purchaser of said animal.

For information apply to the undersigned.

R. J. TATE, Sec.-Treas.  
Municipal District of Battle River No. 423. P. O. Irma, Alberta. 1-T.

## SALE AND REDEMPTION OF IMPOUNDED ANIMALS (Sec 48)

Notice is hereby given under Section 48 of The Domestic Animals Act (Municipalities) that One red heifer, mottled head, notch on lower left ear, no brand, was impounded in the pound kept by N. V. King, located on S.E. Quarter 10-45-7-w4th, on Saturday the 16th day of December, A.D. 1923, and that the said animal was sold on the 7th day of January, 1924, to Geo. W. Madder, of Fabian, Alberta, and that said animal may be redeemed by the owner or on his behalf within a period of thirty days from the publication of this notice in The Alberta Gazette, upon payment of all fees and costs due to the municipality and the purchaser of said animal.

For information apply to the undersigned.

R. J. TATE, Sec.-Treas. of the M. D. of Battle River No. 423. P. O. Irma, Alta.

## SALE AND REDEMPTION OF IMPOUNDED ANIMALS (Sec 48)

Notice is hereby given under Section 48 of The Domestic Animals Act (Municipalities) that One red and white cow branded bar over and under JR on left hip and one red and white steer, rising two years old, no brands, was impounded in the pound kept by N. V. King, located on the S.E. Quarter 10-45-7-w4th on Thursday 10th day of January, A.D. 1924, and that the said animal was sold on the 28th day of January, 1924 to James Marviant of Fabian, Alberta, and that said animal may be redeemed by owner or on his behalf within a period of thirty days from the publication of this notice in The Alberta Gazette upon payment of all fees and costs due to the municipality and the purchaser of said animal.

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## VIKING

Constable Warrior, accompanied by W. H. Sheets, bailiff, made a search of the Martin Sempovich farm, six miles west of town, last Saturday forenoon, and unearthed a still and four barrels of mash suitable for making "moonshine." The still was located in an underground dug-out under the hen house and oat bin where everything was getting into readiness for another "batch." The proprietor has admitted his guilt and will appear before Police Magistrate Lally, of Wainwright, on Thursday for trial.

Wilsie Cox, of Strone district, died at the J. F. Coffelt home two miles west of town, early Saturday morning following his attendance at a dance held there Friday evening. After partaking of a hearty midnight lunch he collapsed and was taken by friends to the barn where he was held down in blankets and straw and made comfortable. When the dance broke up, friends went to wake him up, but after efforts to revive him, it was discovered that he had passed away. Coroner Hotsan and Dr. Little were called, also Const. Warrior, who made an investigation into the circumstances of the man's death. Coroner Hotsan made his report to the government which decided that an inquest was unnecessary.

Mrs. C. A. Bassett was the guest of honor at a farewell gathering held at the home of Mrs. W. H. Collier last Wednesday afternoon, when the faculty work section of the Ladies Auxiliary and friends presented Mrs. Bassett with a beautiful china cup and saucer as a small memento of appreciation of her work in church circles. Mrs. Bassett very feelingly replied. The time was passed very pleasantly in social discussion and visit. Mrs. Collier served a dainty lunch. Much regret was expressed by the ladies present at losing such an ardent and untiring worker and member as Mrs. Bassett has been during her residence here of over three years.

Mr. H. Collier was in Edmonton Wednesday and Thursday of last week attending at the examination of L. C. Charlesworth, chairman of the Drainage Council in matters pertaining to the Viking Ditch. The ditch trial will be held in Edmonton during the week ending Feb. 11. About fifteen witnesses are expected to go up from Viking.

On Friday night Mr. Charlesworth gave a report before a few of the ratepayers in the Town Hall on the finances of the Ditch in accordance with the explanation, with the requirements of the Drainage Act. He showed receipts from collections of taxes during 1923 as \$1,535.21 against disbursements of \$188.87 leaving a balance on hand of \$1,346.34.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Bassett and two little daughters left by motor on Sunday for Edmonton where they will remain for a short time before going to Calgary. Mr. Bassett has accepted a position with Reillens, Edmonton, as travelling salesman for the Calgary district. We wish them every success in their new home. Before leaving they were entertained at several homes and much regret has been expressed at their departure.

The unfortunate and sudden circumstances surrounding the recent death should be a warning and an object lesson to all who indulge in or make "moonshine liquor."

Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Campbell, of Ankerton, are rejoicing over the arrival of a daughter on January 11th. Mrs. Campbell will be remembered as Miss Miriam Kyles, formerly of this district.

The citizens of this community and district are to have the pleasure and excitement of seeing a hockey game for possession of the famous Dawson Trophy, which our team lifted at Chauvin on January 19th by the score of 5 to 3. Chauvin is the challenging team and will arrive here on the fast train Saturday evening of this week, the game to start at nine o'clock P.M. sharp.

The hockey team lost to Killam at Killam on Monday evening by the score of 8 to 5. The lads were over up to the end of the second period but in the final stanza something slipped in the smooth workings of the local team and the C. P. R. gang gave up three tallies, and salted the game away. Killam was supposed to return the game here tonight but we "learned" this has been called off because they had a game on Tuesday and will take part in a tournament starting Friday.

A. A. Long left on Saturday for his old home in Iowa where he was called by the serious illness of his father. Mr. Long received the telegram while in Edmonton and had to leave the hospital in which he was making a good headway with fine chances of winning the grand challenge.

Stephen Jones who was confined to his home with acute tonsillitis for the past two weeks is able to be out again.

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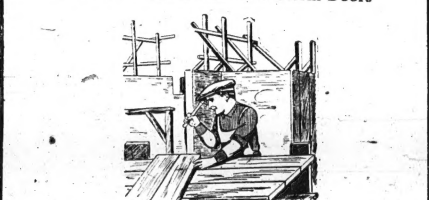
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### More or Less Funny

An expert claims that the English language contains more than fifty distinct sounds. He must have been listening in at a ladies party where they were all trying to talk at the same time.

The mosquitoes are getting restless and are preparing their bills for the grand spring opening.

"How do you find the weather there?" inquired one of our citizens of a party who had just returned from California to reside in Alberta. "I didn't have to find it," he replied "it came and hunted me up and surrounded me in chunks."

There are three stages in the average man's existence when he is of particular interest to the people of his community, viz, at his birth, marriage, and funeral.

Willie was visiting at a neighbor's home here and at lunch the hostess asked: "Does your mother allow you to have two pieces of pie when you are at home, Willie?"

"No, ma'am," he replied. "Well, do you think she would like you to have two pieces here?" she inquired.

"Oh, she wouldn't care," said Willie, confidently, "this isn't her pie."

"Blankety Blank is awful hard up nowadays," remarked one of our citizens to another as they passed him on the street here the other day. "How's that?" asked the other. "I thought he had his salary raised."

"He did," replied the other, "and now his wife is trying to live up to it."

A young wife's rainbow smile—the kind that comes after a shower—is beautiful, but most husbands declare that it is the most expensive bit of scenery ever produced on the human countenance.

Seeing this is leap year girls, perhaps it would be just as well for you to look up the cost of honeymoons.

The most useless of information: In this country ten million packs of cards are used annually.

"What's the matter?" demanded a Justice of peace at Riley to a violator of the street law who was brought before him. "Didn't you see the sign in our village to 'Slow Down'?" "Yes, I saw the sign," replied the culprit, "but I miss I ain't read it. I thought it said 'Slow Town'."

During a concert at Bruce by a local musical organization one of the members noticed that when they sang "My Old Kentucky Home," that one of the spectators in the front seat sat there with tears streaming down his face. At the close of the piece he stepped down where the stranger was and asked sympathetically, "My friend are you a Kentuckian?" "No," was the reply, "I am a musician."

### Notice

During the winter I will not be in my Irma Office every week as frequently but only by special appointments and on following dates:

FEBRUARY 13th.  
MARCH 32th.  
APRIL 16th.

C. G. PURVIS

## Main Street

Mrs. H. M. Lyster and children are visiting with relatives near Camrose.

Mr. W. Mann of the Royal Bank at Jarrow was in Irma Wednesday night.

Mr. H. Kasten is spending a few weeks in Edmonton.

Mr. N. D. McMillan of Bremner is renewing acquaintances in Irma.

Mr. E. T. McDowell has been spending a few days in Shaw's.

Miss Palma Berg of Viking has been spending a few days at Shaw's.

There will be a dance in Larson's Hall next Wednesday night. Everybody come.

Mr. Askin has been visiting the last week with friends at Edmonton and Viking.

Mrs. Chapman of Edmonton is visiting with her daughter Mrs. M. J. Cooney.

Mrs. George Rubinok was removed to Edmonton for special medical treatment last Friday night.

The local merchants are all busy taking stock. Watch for their advertisements as soon as this job is over.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross McFarland was in Edmonton Wednesday attending the funeral of Mrs. Skiles.

Mr. L. Houtspur and his daughter spent a couple of days in Edmonton this week.

Mrs. J. W. Allan and her son Lloyd have been spending a few days in Edmonton.

Mr. D. P. A. McBeth left Tues. for Saskatoon to be with his wife who is to be operated on in the Hospital at that city.

Mr. F. Payne and family who have been working on J. R. Love's farm for the past year left Wednesday for Edmonton.

Black eyes appear to be in style but we think they should find an easier way to get them than using a hammer or ear crank.

Mr. Grover Arnold went to Edmonton Wednesday morning to consult a specialist for a chronic trouble he has had for some time.

While knocking the top off a water can last Saturday, Mrs. F. W. Watkinson met with an accident when the top of the can flew up and hit her in the forehead.

Mr. Nelson, Public School Inspector has been in Irma the past week making his official visit to some of the local schools.

Mr. Roy Whyte met with a painful accident Wednesday when he pushed his hand through a window he was closing. It took several stitches to sew up the cut caused by the broken glass.

On account of the death of Mrs. Skiles the social evening to be given by the Irma Rebekah and Oddfellows for last Tuesday evening was postponed indefinitely.

The Women's Missionary Society intend holding a sale of home cooking and afternoon tea on Saturday afternoon from 3 to 6 P. M. 1 Watkinson Building. A special invitation to all batches is extended.

Tuesday the weather made a change and before noon the streets and roads were thawed so that travel with a sleigh was almost out of the question. A few more days like the last two will soon make what little snow we have had disappear.

Dr. Courcier, dentist of Wainwright was in Irma last Tuesday and arranged for his office over the Hardware Store where he will be pleased to meet any of the residents of the Irma district needing dental work or consultation on Tuesday of each week.

U. F. A. ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Irma U. F. A. will be held next Saturday afternoon when the officers for the coming year will be elected. Also the report from the convention at Edmonton will be given. All members of the Irma Local and their friends are requested to be present at this meeting.

NOTICE

The Irma Rural High School Board will sit as a Court of Revision in the School, Saturday the 9th of February at 2 o'clock P. M.

Anyone wishing to appeal against their assessment may do so through the Public School Board of the district in which property is situated. The assessment roll may be seen at the Municipal Office.

Fred B. Chillis, Sec'y. crease.

## MRS. SKILES BURIED AT EDMONTON WED. AFTERNOON

Monday morning the whole of the Irma district was shocked to hear of the death of Mrs. T. Skiles, which occurred in one of the Edmonton hospitals on Sunday. Mrs. Skiles was taken to Edmonton for special treatment some ten or twelve weeks ago and at times good hopes had been entertained for her recovery. Only last Friday the report arrived in Irma that the doctors thought she was improving but Saturday night word arrived that she had died.

son Archie who is employed in the local bank to come to Edmonton, that his mother was worse, no further word arrived in Irma till after the telephone office opened Monday morning. Mr. Skiles had been in Edmonton most of the time for the last few weeks. Mr. Skiles has been in business in Irma for the last six or seven years with Mr. McFarland but on account of the three boys who had been attending school at Edmonton Mrs. Skiles had not made her permanent home at Irma till last summer when they rented their house at Edmonton. Since then and during her visits here during the summer vacations she has made a host of friends both in the town and in the surrounding country. The late Mrs. Skiles was in her forty-sixth year. Besides her husband she leaves to mourn her loss, three sons, Donald, and Danil of Winnipeg, and Archibald of Irma, three brothers, M. R. Parker of Onaway, W. C. Parker, of Androssan, and Paul Parker of Chicago, Ill., and two sisters, Mrs. W. C. Alexander, Omaha, Neb., Mrs. Rev. A. H. Maxwell, Oxford Kansas, Mrs. Wm. Jenkins of Casper, Wyoming and a sister in Chicago. We join with the friends of the bereaved family in extending our sincere sympathy for their great loss.

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

January 28th, 1924

To the Shareholders

United Grain Growers Ltd.

Irma Local No. 89.

Dear Sir—

At the request of Mr. W. A. Barton, Secretary of the Local Board, you are hereby notified that a special meeting of the shareholders of United Grain Growers Limited, of record at Irma Local, will be held in the Larson Hall, at Irma, on

Saturday Afternoon, Feb. 9th 1924 commencing at 2 o'clock.

The business to come before the meeting will include:

1. Receiving report of delegate to the last annual meeting of the Company.

2. Election of a local board for 1924.

3. Any other business which may be brought forward.

This is the one opportunity you have of obtaining first hand information regarding the proceedings at the Annual Meeting of the Company—while the matter is still fresh in your delegate's mind—and you are earnestly requested to attend so that the meeting may be a success.

It is also quite in order for you to bring up for discussion at this meeting any matters connected with the Company's operations that may be of interest.

Yours truly,

United Grain Growers Limited.

L. M. GAETZ,

Assistant Secretary

TRAIN SCHEDULE, IRMA, ALTA.

Effective January 6th, 1924

No. 1, Going West ..... 7:44 P.M.

No. 3, Going West ..... 7:28 A.M.

No. 2, Going East ..... 10:38 A.M.

No. 4, Going East ..... 10:14 P.M.

Train No. 1 stops only to let off or pick up passengers from Saskatoon or East, or to Jasper and West.

Train No. 2 stops only to let off or pick up passengers from Jasper or West or to Saskatoon and East.

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MARKET REPORT

Wheat

No. 1 ..... 77c

No. 2 ..... 76c

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No. 2 C.W. .... 27c

No. 3 C.W. .... 24c

Track Oats ..... 40c

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ANOTHER TWO CENTS

Toronto, Feb. 1.—Announcement was made last night by the local oil refiners that the price of gasoline will be advanced two cents per imperial gallon today throughout practically the whole of Canada. This advance follows a similar jump made ten days ago. The rise in price of crude oil is given as the reason for the increase.

## Grippe, Colds and the Flu

Are prevalent in this community, and should be promptly checked. It's foolish to neglect the slightest cold or try to "fight it off."

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## AGRICULTURAL CONCERT A BIG SUCCESS

Last Friday evening every business man and farmer that was interested in the welfare of the Irma Agricultural Society turned out to fill the hall when the teachers and pupils of the different schools in the district put on one of the best concerts that has been seen in the Irma Hall for many a day. Some thirty pieces were on the programme and to attempt to mention which was best would be a bigger task than we care to assume.

Some six teachers with the pupils from the following schools, Irma, Sunny Brae, Roseberry, Alma Mater, Ross and Coal Springs took part in the programme, which consisted of dialogues, monologues, sketches, piano and vocal solos, drills and recitations.

Owing to the many encores and the large programme it was nearly midnight when the concert ended. The teachers are to be congratulated on the excellent way in which the different pupils took their parts.

TO THE TEACHER & SCHOLARS

The directors of the Irma Agricultural Society wish to thank you and your scholars for the assistance you gave us in making our entertainment a success and the splendid way your children acted their parts. We feel you deserve credit for the way you have your scholars trained and we wish you the best of success in your good work.

## Here and There

A new record has been established by the Department of Marine and Fisheries in the number of white fish eggs collected for hatchery purposes in the Great Lakes and the Lake of the Woods. A total of 461,600,000 eggs were obtained, which exceeds all previous collections in the province of Ontario.

A new deposit of soapstone has been discovered on Trap Lake, a small lake south of Wabigoon Lake, in northwestern Ontario. The quality of the stone has been reported as excellent for various industrial uses, and practical trials are under way.

Water transportation is available direct from the deposits to Wabigoon and Dryden, on the main line of the Canadian Pacific Railway.

It is announced by the Canadian Pacific Railway that two free scholarships covering four years' education in architecture, chemical, civil, mechanical or electrical engineering at McGill University, are offered, subject to competitive examinations, to apprentices and other employees enrolled on the permanent staff of the company and under 21 years of age, and to minor sons of employees.

Canada's fisheries' production during 1923 is estimated to be worth \$40,000,000. At the beginning of the year it was not thought that anything like this mark would be reached, for the Fordney tariff had cut deeply into exports to the United States. But as the year wore on the demand and prices generally improved, thus giving fishermen along the Atlantic coast especially a much better market.

Approximately \$5,000,000 will be spent by the Dominion Coal Company to open up a new mine and colliery at Linar, Nova Scotia, and construction of a branch railway 4½ miles to the new mine has already been started. The new colliery will be equipped with every modern device, and a model town will be planned in its vicinity. It will have a capacity of some 2,000 tons daily.

The tenth annual Ski Tournament will be held at Revelstoke, February 6th and 8th, in connection with which skiing, tobogganing, snowshoeing, skating, etc. will be featured. An endeavor is being made to secure the attendance of Uno Hilstrom, Sweden's champion ski-jumper, as well as other famous ski-jumpers from both Canada and the United States.

Only a smart man can conceal from a woman the fact that he isn't as smart as he would wish her to think he is.

The Klondike is in the throes of another gold and silver rush. At the head of the Beaver River, 50 miles west of Keno Hill, a silver and gold discovery of unusual proportions has started a stampede from Mayo, the major mining settlement of the Yukon, to the new country, where it is said assays reveal pay dirt running 1,100 ounces of silver to the ton.

Rapid progress is being made in preparing the Canadian section of the British Empire Exhibition. The giant pavilion was roofed in and ready for exhibits in sixty days from its commencement and will be ready for opening on March 1st. Two million feet of Canadian lumber, 7 miles of roofing and 200 tons of nails, nuts and bolts have already been used in the building.

It is reported that the Rothborns interests of England, who recently acquired a large block of timber land in the Manicouagan River Basin, have handed a syndicate which will spend \$10,000,000 in erecting pulp and sawmill manufacturing plants near Quebec city. With this new comes an announcement that the St. Regis Paper Company will build a \$4,000,000 plant near the parish of St. Augustin, a suburb of Quebec.

Records compiled by the Bureau of Railway Statistics in Chicago show how greatly the cost of railroad equipment in North America has increased in the past sixteen years. Since 1907, these figures show, the cost of heavy freight locomotives has risen from \$10,243 to \$30,850 each; passenger locomotives from \$10,057 to \$23,200 each; passenger coaches from \$7,350 to \$20,400 each; freight cars from \$700 to \$2,301 each; and steel rails from \$25 to \$43 per ton.

The Indians of the three prairie provinces in the 1923 season harvested the greatest crop in their history, according to the annual report of the Department of Indian Affairs. In the three provinces, the Indians harvested 633,661 bushels of wheat, 74,282 bushels of oats and 67,394 bushels of barley. The report also revealed 53,564 bushels of potatoes and 10,000 bushels of other vegetables. They summered 20,000 acres of land, broke 9,500 acres, put on 67,000 tons of hay and 8,516 of green feed.

It's said that the first leap year proposal of the season here ended up rather dully. When the girl popped the question he sadly shook his head. "It's impossible," he said, "I can only be a brother to you. I haven't completed paying the instalment on an engagement ring I purchased for a girl last year."





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## WORLD HAPPENINGS BRIEFLY TOLD

The Vatican has issued a denial of published reports of its intention to establish a wireless broadcasting station.

Alma E. Arbuckle, wife of Roscoe "Fatty" Arbuckle, was granted a divorce on the grounds of neglect to provide and desertion.

The little town of Fribourg, near St. Edmond, in France, has the distinction of being the first community to form an "unhappy married men's club."

The death is announced of the Earl of Jersey, one of the large landowners of England, owning nearly 20,000 acres. He was 56 years of age.

The Mexican Secretary of the Interior announces that the presidential elections will be held in July, since the peace of the republic is not seriously threatened, and the rebellion is now practically suppressed.

The United States Government has agreed to sell a quantity of war material to the Obregon Government in Mexico. The decision is understood to have been prompted by a desire to aid that government, which is faced by an armed uprising.

A mob of several thousand persons stormed a jail in the Celina district, Italy, and removed and lynched a prisoner, who was charged with having stolen from a cathedral a number of valuable receptacles containing relics of the saints.

**Value of Farms**  
According to a recent official compilation it is found that out of every 100 people in Canada 51 live on farms. The 76,000 farms in Canada represent a gross worth of \$700,000,000, or about \$10,000 per farm, and produce an annual revenue of nearly \$1,500,000,000, an average income per farm of \$2,000 yearly.

**Drydock At Esquimaut**  
Excavation work on the new Dominion Government drydock at Esquimaut has been progressing so rapidly during the past few months that the basin is almost ready for the construction work. Laying of concrete has commenced. The installation of the pumps and machinery will be started, in all probability, next summer.

You never can tell. Even a man of iron may look a bit rusty.

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Proper Treatment Will Quickly Bring Back Robust Health and Good Spirits

Women are on the whole more sickly than men. One reason is that their system is more complicated; another and more important reason is, they put off measures of relief too long. At the beginning, constipation is the cause of nine-tenths of women's ailments. The blood becomes thickened and polluted—the nerves suffer, and a run-down condition takes root.

Because of their neglect of action as a system regulator, no medicine for women can compare with Dr. Hamilton's Pills. The kidneys quickly respond to the remedial action of Dr. Hamilton's Pills, and the result is as you would expect—pain in the back and side, shortness of breath, and bad color disappear—the functions of the body then operate naturally, congestion and pain are prevented, and perfect health restored.

Thousands of happy women say Dr. Hamilton's Pills are the greatest and best blood purifier, the finest complexion restorer, the most certain regulator of medicine known. Sold by all druggists and storekeepers, 25c per box, free for \$1.00, from The Catarthozone Co., Montreal.

## How Bees Tell the Time

Interesting Experiment Made By a French Expert

An interesting experiment made some time ago by a French expert proves that bees know the time of day without the aid of a timepiece.

This expert began his test by breaking into the open air at seven o'clock, parading of light preserves and jam. At ten o'clock the table was cleared. For the midday meal no sweets were served, but at four o'clock there was a light lunch, with sweets. Within a week the bees came to understand these meal-times so well that they came from all the surrounding places in such swarms that the food had to be served indoors afterwards.

**For Both House and Stable.**—There is a good deal of similarity, physically speaking, between human beings and the most common of all subjects for many ailments arising from inflammation and to all manner of cuts and bruises. Dr. Thomas' Echinic Oil is an entirely reliable remedy for such ailments and mishaps in both human beings or the lower order of animals.

## Large Stocks of Fuel

No Shortage of Fuel is Expected in Canada This Winter

A fuel shortage in Canada this winter is not expected. Returns issued by the mining branch of the Bureau of Statistics show that both imports of coal and output from mines for the ten months ending October 31 were well above the three-year average.

"When considered in conjunction with the mild weather of November and December," says the mining branch, "these facts seem to preclude the possibility of a fuel shortage in Canada this winter."

The cumulative output of coal from Canadian mines for the ten months was 14,127,000 tons, an increase of 21 per cent. over the preceding three-year average for the same period. The output during October was 1,500,000 tons, an increase of 21 per cent. over that of September.

The total importation of coal from the United States and Great Britain during October was seven per cent. below the three-year average for the month. However, the total importation of all coal for the ten months was 19,450,000 tons, an increase of 43 per cent. over the preceding three-year average for the same period.

Whether the corn be of old or new growth, it must yield to Halloway's Corn Remover.

**The Use of a Hyphen**  
A teacher, instructing her pupils in the use of the hyphen, asked them to give her an example of its use, and the word "bird-cage" was submitted by a small boy.

"That's right," she encouragingly remarked. "Now, tell me why we put a hyphen in bird-cage."

"It's for the bird to sit on," was the startling reply.

Experience teaches people a lot of things they would rather not know.

## China Has Longest Canal

Covers Nearly 1,000 Miles and Crosses Two Large Rivers

The Grand Canal in China is by far the longest canal in the world. It reaches from Hangchow to Tientsin, the port of Peking, and covers a distance of nearly one thousand miles. It crosses two of the world's largest rivers, the Huang and the Yangtze. For about one hundred and thirty miles north of the Yangtze the canal is still navigable, but from that point to Tientsin it is choked with mud and is generally derelict. A plan is now on foot to reconstruct the northern sections. For the time being only about seven million dollars can be devoted to work that will put in order a section 100 miles in length. The reconstruction is in the hands of American engineers.

## New Filtering Process

Takes the Color From Wine, Tea and Milk

Spectacular results in filtration have been obtained by a new invention of Doctor H. S. Hile-Shaw, who recently explained his method to members of the Royal Society in London.

The doctor has a stream-like filter using which color can be passed under pressure through many thousands of tightly packed, perforated sheets of paper. He claims he has taken the color out of red wine and tea, and has extracted the color from milk and left a tasteless, fluid-like water.

## Increase in Trade

Considerable Increase is Shown Over the Previous Year

The total trade of Canada for the eight months ending November, 1923, is up \$175,815,668 in comparison with the corresponding eight months of the previous year. Total trade for November is up nearly three millions as compared with November of last year. Total trade for the eight months was: 1923, \$1,214,691,034; 1922, \$1,138,245,368. For the month of November alone it was \$211,989,127 in 1923, and \$208,960,232 in 1922.

During the eight months' period both imports and exports are higher, exports showing an increase of \$79 millions and imports an increase of \$106 millions. Imports for the month, compared with November, 1922, are down four millions and domestic exports up approximately seven millions.

## A Diminutive Piano

The English seem to like inventing or designing tiny things, and the latest of this nature is a miniature grand piano that has been the attraction in London amusement fairs. Dimensions are not given, but it is so small that an ordinary finger covers several keys. It is perfect in every detail and correctly tuned.

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## Sea Mystery

Lifeboat Carried Crew of Dead Men Off English Coast

Plunged through heavy winter seas off the southern coast of England, the steamship Innishmish sighted a lifeboat ahead, whipped and tossed by breaking waves.

Through their binoculars the officers of the Innishmish studied the tiny craft. Rolling on her wet thwarts were bodies of men, dead.

Suddenly a great wave overturned the lifeboat. Only two bodies remained in the craft when the Innishmish reached the spot.

The dead men were well clothed, but had suffered terribly from exposure. There was no food, fresh water, nor oars in the boat.

Barely decipherable ship's papers, found in the pocket of one of the dead men, indicated that the lifeboat was from the British ship Roca. Beyond this there is no clue of the strange mystery of the sea.

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## Advance Warning

This country will have 16,000,000 automobiles by the end of 1924, which means that the pedestrian's chances of being run over will have increased by 1,000,000 over 1923.—Boston Transcript.

## Husband and Wife

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**Mr. N. St. Hillaire Recommends Dodd's Kidney Pills to All Who Suffer.**

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## Progressive Bedouins

A demand for folding chairs has been voiced by the Bedouins, who from time immemorial have done their sitting cross-legged. Recently a consignment of 2,000 of these chairs from Austria arrived at Allen.

**Freshman.**—I'm a little still from bowling. Coach.—I don't care where you're from, get busy out on the track.—Stratford Chaparral.

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#### Here and There

That the average weight of Alberta's 1923 wheat was 64 pounds to the bushel, or four pounds more than the standard, is the statement of George Hill, Dominion Grain Inspector at Calgary.

The season of navigation for the year 1923 is the longest since the year 1814, or four years ago, according to a statement made at Quebec by Captain J. E. Bernier, Arctic explorer.

Two-thirds of Canada's exhibits for the British Empire Exhibition are now in England, most of these being already at Wembley. Among them is a monster silver nugget, weighing nearly three tons, the biggest ever unearthed, which was dug up in Canada.

Twenty-nine million pounds of halibut were landed at Prince Rupert, B.C., during the past year, with figures for the month of December incomplete. This total is considerably in excess of the previous year. Several large shipments were made to Chicago and other middle Western States' points.

E. W. Beatty, President of the Canadian Pacific Railway, has accepted the honorary presidency of the Province of Quebec Safety League, succeeding the late Lord Dufferin, who was its first honorary president. The object of the League is to institute safeguards for the protection of life, especially children, providing protected playgrounds and streets.

It is estimated by the provincial tourist bureau of the Province of Quebec that 125,000 American automobiles visited the province in 1923. Of this number 40,000 travelled over the King Edward Highway, the principal route of automobilists from across the border motoring to Montreal and a record in the annals of that thoroughfare as regards American cars.

The Canadian Independent Oil Company, of St. John, New Brunswick, has closed a contract to supply lubricating oils of all kinds to all Canadian Pacific steamships plying to Atlantic ports. This is said to be the biggest contract for lubricating oils ever closed in Canada. This company means a new industry for St. John, for its compounding plant will be located in East St. John.

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